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Smallpox.—Week ended June 21, 1906. Cases: Castiglione in Teverina, 1; Ponzano Romano, 2; S. Lorenzo Nuovo (Rome), 3; Rotonda (Potenza), 1; Agordo (Belluno), 1; S. Giovanni in Perticeto (Bologna), 1; Aragona, 2; Palma Montechiaro, 2; Govara (Girgenti), 1.

MEXICO.

Report from Progreso—Yellow fever in Merida—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Harrison reports, June 30, as follows: Period from June 23 to June 30, inclusive, 1906. No quarantinable disease was reported for this port. In Merida there were from 10 to 14 cases of yellow fever in the lazaretto daily. June 26 there were 4 deaths in the hospital from yellow fever. The number of suspects was from 10 to 20 or more under observation at one time. The usual measures are being taken to combat the disease, but the fever seems to be increasing.

Six steamers were dispatched, with 233 in crews and 65 passengers.

One of the steamers was fumigated.

PANAMA.

Report from Colon—Inspection of vessels—Malarial fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, June 26, as follows:

Week ended June 25, 1906.—Vessels cleared for ports in the United States and granted bills of health as follows:

American schooner Miles M. Merry for Tampa, June 15, with 12

crew and no passengers; living quarters and holds fumigated.

British steamship *Chelston* for Boston, via Cartagena and Nicaraguan ports, June 16, with 99 crew and no passengers.

American steamship Colon for New York, June 15, with 103 crew

and 142 passengers.

British steamship La Plata for New York, via Kingston, Jamaica, June 20, with 172 crew and 458 passengers from this port and 50 passengers in transit.

American steamship Allianca for New York, June 21, with 68 crew

and 130 passengers.

German steamship Prinz Eitel Friedrich for New York, via Savan-

illa and Santa Marta, with 93 crew and 10 passengers.

More than thirty days have elapsed since the last case of yellow fever was reported in Colon, and up to the present time nothing further of a suspicious character has been observed by the health officer in the town or in the hospitals and dispensaries. Official information of a case of yellow fever in Limon has been received by the chief quarantine officer, and a quarantine against passengers from that port has been established.

Malarial fever is on the increase among all classes, especially the negroes, and all cases coming under the observation of the health officer or presenting at the dispensaries and the hospital are carefully scrutinized. All cases of death at the hospital are subjected to a postmortem examination, special attention being paid to pneumonia and malarial fever, the latter disease being made the subject of careful study.